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FROM THE PRESIDENT



So the last *Links* for 2018 and less than 20 days to Christmas. Like many of you I find myself thinking where has the year gone but looking back what a pretty good year it's been.



The course is looking better than ever and some of the recent scores are a reflection of that.

Also a great Legacy Day raising over \$5000 for a very worthwhile charity and a terrific Presentation Night last week. Our thanks to all those involved in organising and managing these important events.

Thanks also to those members who were able to attend the recent AGM. This is an essential part of our Club's governance requirements and like last year we struggled to achieve the minimum attendance numbers to conduct the meeting. Fortunately, a last minute ring around got us over the line with the 30 members needed to form a quorum.

Welcome to Barbra Oliver and Dermot Duncan who were appointed as new Board members and thanks to departing Board members Joan Weine and John Erasmus for their valuable contributions.

Not much news to offer on the proposed development except to say that the Board is continuing the positive dialogue with Council and we expect to see some further progress with Council's preferred EOI respondents in the new year.

Barry Watkin and I remain members of the Precinct Liaison Committee and may be able to provide some feedback following the next meeting, which is yet to be scheduled.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a successful golfing year in 2019.

ALAN MOSS



LANE COVE GOLF CLUB CHRISTMAS NIGHT Friday 21 December 7.00 - 10.00

Come along to Friday Night Music with FULL SWING QUARTET and Guest Artist GREGG ARTHUR

3 CHRISTMAS HAMS AS DOOR PRIZES
(\$10.00 entry fee to be eligible)
with the bonus of our SUPER CHRISTMAS HAMPER
RAFFLE



Dine, dance, enjoy the great music and be part of the Club's Christmas celebrations.

Please note, if you wish to dine, bookings are essential at the bar (9418 6159) by Wednesday 19 December.

WHAT'S ON AT THE CLUB



FULL SWING QUARTET Fridays 7.00 - 10.00 GUEST ARTISTS

7 December - Johnny Nicol

14 December - Kate Wade

21 December - Gregg Arthur

11 January – Dan Barnett

18 January - Marie Wilson

An entry fee of \$10.00 applies - (Children free)

Friday Night Chicken Run



Looking for a fun way to start your weekend? Join us for the Friday Night Chicken Run!

- * Tee off any time after 4.30 pm, no need to book.
- * 9 holes of social golf. Members, non-members, beginners, pros, all welcome
- * Runs over daylight savings months, starting 12 October 2018.
- * Presentation on deck, with winner receiving the much sought-after frozen chicken.
- * For dinner bookings, please ring Club Bar on 9418 6159 Questions? joanweine@bigpond.com

BLUNTS PLAYER OF THE MONTH AWARD



November was the last Player of the Month award for the ladies this year, and fittingly it was won by someone who had a very successful year.

Suzique Doughty won the award with rounds of 31 and 39 for a total of 70 points.

On the golf course Suzique was able to successfully defend her Club and Foursomes Championship title and she also won her first Mixed Foursomes title in a very exciting playoff.

Off the course Suzique is a members of the Women's Golf Committee and has taken on the role of Handicapper. She also provides valuable assistance with One Golf, both in setting up the yearly calendar as well as troubleshooting any problems that arise. A very worthy winner. Congratulations Suzique **WAYNE BELGRE**

LEGACY DAY

Obviously the changes the Committee made last year to the event have been well received as a record field took to the starting line for this year's Legacy Day.

With members able to bring friends along, the field was the largest we have ever had. Thanks to all those members who participated, invited their friends and helped raise money for a most worthy cause.

Although final figures are not yet in, I believe we are looking around the \$5,000 mark that we raised on the day. Considering our previous best was \$3,500, the whole day was an outstanding success.



Naturally the day can't be so without the fabulous support of Club members and staff.

Firstly we must thank the bar staff who sold the raffle tickets for weeks prior to the event and looked after everyone so well on the day. So thanks to Warwick, Amanda and Lillie.

We can't forget Dave Martin, the sausage and onion man, who looks after the culinary needs of the members each week. Thanks David. To all the Committee members and golfing members who helped on the day, a big thank you.

Finally the biggest thank you of all to those members who contributed prizes for the day. Below you will find a list of the generous donors who helped make the day so special.

David & Ben Leckie, Barry Watkin, Graham Webster, David McFarlane,

Richard Biggs, David Haugh, Norm Sarajinsky, Ralph Sadler,

Andrew Corish, Ian Butters, Alasdair Caush, Brian and Anne Doherty,

Steve Barnes, Jeff Back and Sue Hazroli, Alan Moss, Kasey Dive,

Graham Young, Mark Simonsen, Tim Sinclair and Bill Edmondson

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LEGACY DAY continued

Prizes were given out for the Legacy Shield (best nett over 18 holes), the Legacy Cup (best nett back 9) as well as for the best scratch over 18 holes. Scores on the day were extremely good and with so many scores going up on the whiteboard it needed a good five minutes to work out who the winners were!

The winners of the Legacy Shield, as well as the best scratch score, were the team that comprised Wayne Belgre, Peter Doherty, David Leckie and Jeff Back. They had a scratch score of 55, 9 under par and resulting in a nett 48 ¾. Just a mere coincidence that all four are members of the Men's Golf Committee. (Ed's note – virtue has its own reward – well done gents, but the Trivia too?)

The Legacy Cup was taken out by the team including Greg Stephenson, Allan Stephenson, Jeff Hickson and Rod Paterson, who played the novelty part of the day better than anyone else with a scratch score of 2 under par 30 for a nett 24 1/4.

Once again we made some changes to the "Novelty" back nine this year, with most holes having a different "challenge".

For those of you who haven't played in this event, it really is a lot of fun, and you shouldn't miss it! Remember to get your name down next year!

The Legacy web site tells in a couple of sentences what they do.

Legacy is a charity providing services to Australian families suffering after the injury or death of a spouse or parent, during or after their defence force service. We currently care for around 65,000 widow(er)s and 1,800 children and disabled dependents throughout Australia.

Every year, ALL of you put your hands in your pockets, buy raffle tickets, donate prizes, organise help and play on the day with the result that over the last 12 years we have donated \$37,000 to Legacy. That's a lot of money for a small Club! Our Lane Cove Members should be proud of their efforts during that time. (Ed's note; Andrew Corish notes that Legacy really "rates" our small club as we more than compare with much larger golf clubs in the amount of money we raise for this most worthy of causes.)

AND, once again, if you think you didn't do enough this year, you can always do more next year!)

WAYNE BELGRE On behalf of the Men's Golf Committee





MEN'S PRESENTATION NIGHT 2018

1 December was the night for all winners during 2018 to be celebrated with Men's Golf holding their annual Presentation Night.

It was great to see so many members and partners attend along with our Patron, Mayor Pam Palmer. Also in attendance was Councillor David Brooks–Horn and our esteemed life members Helen Prentice and Ron Jeffrey.

Most of our winners were able to attend and the night was a true celebration of some great and not so great golfing achievements during the year.

The main prize for the night was the award of the Alan Price Medal. This medal, in memory of a legend of the Club, is awarded to the member who was the most consistent golfer for the year. Points are awarded for every event played during the year with the major events (Club Championship, Foursomes Championship, Singles Knockout and 4 Ball Knockout) attracting the most points.



THE CHAMPIONS
L to R, Mark Simonsen (C Grade),
Mark Spence (A Grade), John Joyce (B Grade)

For the first time we had a tie. Peter Doherty and Alan Moss both ended with 15 points and shared the title. Congratulations to both.

Other big winners on the night were our Club Champions, pictured. Mark Spence retained his A Grade title with John Joyce and Mark Simonsen winning the B and C Grade titles respectively.

The most important title of the night, trivia champions, was taken out, again a first timer by the Committee table. Despite rumours, there was no collusion with the question setter.

Special mention must be made of David McFarlane. "Pres" as he is known, is hanging

up his pencil and retiring from his Treasurer's job. For the last seventeen years, Pres has kept a tight rein on our finances and the Men's Golf Committee will miss his expertise and forthright comments. Thanks for all your hard work David.

Finally a big thank you to the people who helped to make the night a success. Andy Moran once again expertly looked after the food arrangements and the table settings, the latter with the assistance of Helen Prentice and Jan Sadler.

Toni Watkin and Anne Doherty supplied the trivia prizes (a big thank-you to them) and the bar staff ensured everyone was never without a drink.

Thanks must also go to all members of the Committee who all pitched in as required.

A great night was had by all and now we look forward to the 2019 golfing year.

WAYNE BELGRE on behalf of the Men's Golf Committee

MEN'S GOLF

Welcome to the final edition of *Links* for the year. I'm sure you'll agree that 2018 has been a great one with many special moments. There have been a few holes-in-one, a couple of eagles and as per usual, Dougie Cameron shot better than his age on many occasions! As a bonus, our Warren and Gibson teams performed very well and will be extremely competitive next year, no doubt.

With a late edition last month, there are only two events I can report on this month.

The annual Legacy Day, (formally known as the Rum Cup) was played with a full field, with plenty of visitors taking part. I hope they will turn into full playing members so that we can have a full playing sheet every week.



The Legacy Day raises money for the charity, and I must say for a small club, we definitely punch well above our weight when it comes to fundraising. Many thanks to those who contributed by purchasing raffle tickets and to those who donated prizes. Your support is greatly appreciated. (Ed's note; see separate report on Legacy Day)

The day is played with normal stableford play on the front 9, with novelty holes played on the back 9. These include, a blindfolded tee shot, a left handed tee shot, tee off with a putter, tee off with a driver on a par 3, tee off with a cricket bat etc. It provides a very humorous format (especially for those who have a dabble of rum at half way!)

This year it was taken out by regular teammates, Pete Doherty, Dave Leckie, Jeff Back and Wayne Belgre. Great work gents and we look forward to seeing you back next year to defend your title!

The December Medal was played after a horrendous storm during the week. Hats off to our green staff for getting the course into shape after two months of rainfall in one day!

The Medal results are as follows:

A Grade: Nett; Wayne Belgre 66 Scratch; Pete Doherty 77
B Grade: Nett; Evan Jones 62 Scratch; Evan Jones 77
C Grade: Nett; Mark Thompson 59 (great score!) Scratch; Walter Heim 86



The Presentation Night was held, on Saturday 1 December and all had a great night. Congratulations once again to Mark Spence, a back-to-back A Grade winner, and to John Joyce and Mark Simonsen for taking out the Club Championship in their respective grades.

The top award, the Alan Price medal for the most consistent player in the Club, was, for the first time, a tie, shared between Alan Moss and Peter Doherty. Over a year of golf, they could not be separated. Two well deserved winners, but only one medal. To be sorted out! Congratulations!

Finally, I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

EVAN JONES

WOMEN'S GOLF

Golf NSW Medal Playoffs

Three of our ladies participated in the Metropolitan Medal Playoffs at North Ryde Golf Club recently. These ladies had won their Division, with the best aggregate of 3 out of six Medal rounds at Lane Cove. All had good results.



Joan Weine placed 11th out of 55 players in Division 2 and **Suzique Doughty** also had a great result, finishing about halfway in Division 1. Great results ladies! You've represented our Club so well!

And (drum roll), Evie **Nikellys** came third in Division 3 with a nett 74, which qualifies her for the State Final, to be played at Horizons Golf Course, on December 11th. What a great result for Evie! Nice work, Lane Cove!

Presentation Night

The clubhouse looked beautiful on the evening of Thursday 29 November for our annual Presentation of Trophies. It was a very enjoyable night, with pre-dinner drinks and a very tasty dinner. Then prizes were awarded to ladies who have won major events during the year. It was also interesting to recall the winners of other events that have been played throughout the year, such as mixed events and Pennants and to see who's had "record making" results this year.

A highlight of the night is the presentation of the biggest silver trophy to our Club Champion. Our 2018 champion is **Suzique Doughty**. Congratulations, too, to the B Grade Champion, **Cindy Brown**, and our Foursomes Champions, **Vanna Mutton** and **Jacqui Brooks**.

Our congratulations go to all the trophy winners and our thanks to all those who helped to make it such a successful evening.

Blunt's Player of the Month

Congratulations to Suzique Doughty, who won with a total of 70 points



Sunday Ladies Christmas Party

Merry Christmas!

Sunday December 2nd was the day for the Weekend Ladies' Christmas Party. We played 9 holes of golf, with some interesting extras, like free throws and putting with eyes closed! Christmas themed clothes made the course look colourful. **Vanna Mutton** won a scratchy for "best dressed", as she was adorned from top to toe in Christmas shiny stuff.

Captain **Robyn** explained that this special game is like a kindergarten speech night...we share the prizes! So, the winner of

the day was Joan Weine, with new member Marianne Mitchell, the runner up with 24 points. Suzique Doughty had the most bonus points and the winning team was made up of Jacqui Brooks, Vanna Mutton and Julia Skuja, with a score of 57 points. The Mystery Team prize went to Jo Cunningham, Sue Woodman and Margo Anderson. Robyn Glover and Cindy Brown won long drives, and, Ros Louis and Rosanne Antico-Hall won NTPs. (Continued over)

WOMEN'S GOLF continued

So you can see by those results that, going by the Lane Cove Kindy Rules, no one gets two prizes. No tears! Then it was time for lunch, and at Lane Cove, when our ladies are asked to bring a plate, you can be sure that it is going to be delicious!

It was great to have past members, **Dulcie Leedow** and **Ros Louis** join us for the day, and to see **Margot Vaughan**, recovering well from surgery.



Joan Weine thanked the Committee for all the wonderful work they do, to make days such as these so enjoyable and for all the behind the scenes work they do all year, **and** President **Evie** thanked all those who helped with lunch and wished everybody a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

New Members

We've welcomed more new members lately. **Robyn Stevens**. Perhaps she can play team games with our other Robyn's......Glover, Seale and McElvenny....."Rockin' Robyn's". It's great to see that **Judy Wallin** has rejoined....we missed you Judy. And **Angela Pearson** may rejoin, too. Some potential new members have joined us for games and our Christmas parties. A big Lane Cove welcome to you all.

The Course

The course was flooded last Wednesday with the 7th tee and fairway completely underwater. So most of the ladies thought that the course would be closed on Thursday. But our wonderful team of green keepers had it cleaned up and playable! They're doing a great job!

Upcoming Events

- * Summer Cup and New Rules Days.
 - The Summer Cup will start on Sunday 9th December and on Thursday 13th December. Information sessions regarding the new Rules of Golf will be held on both these days.
- * The Chicken Run.
 - This fun event will continue, on Friday evenings during summer
- * Calendars of next year's events are now available
- * The ladies have provided two wonderful hampers to be raffled. The raffle will be drawn on **the Club's Christmas Night**, Friday 21st December. Book for dinner! Merry Christmas all.

SUE KALLAS









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